

STEARNES NAMED AS GRAND REGENT

Elected by Grand Council, Royal Arcanum, After Spirited Contest.

Nearly the entire time of the first day's session of the Grand Council, Royal Arcanum, held at Murphy's Hotel yesterday, was taken up with the election of officers. In a number of instances there was spirited opposition, and hardly any of the officers were elected on the first ballot. The biggest fight was over the two representatives to the Supreme Council, which convenes here next month. The list finally adopted follows:

Grand Regent, R. C. Stearnes; Grand Vice-Regent, S. H. Sayre; Grand Orator, W. Floyd Reams; Grand Secretary, J. B. Blanks; Grand Treasurer, A. B. Botts; Grand Chaplain, John R. Doles; Grand Guide, W. Withers Miller; Grand Warden, Thomas Spratt; Grand Sentinels, H. B. McCormac; Grand Trustee, Harry Hodges; First Supreme Representative, W. T. Dabney; Second Supreme Representative, H. G. Avery; Alternates, James McCreedy and A. T. Lincoln; Committee on Laws, H. H. Blease; Committee on Finance, H. A. Allen, Jr.; Executive Committee, John F. O'Connor. The officers will be installed at this morning's session.

The Council appropriated a sum of money for the entertainment of the Supreme Council, which will meet in this city May 15-25. The program is now in preparation and will be announced in a few days.

One of the important matters to come before to-day's session of the Council will be the recommendation made by Grand Regent Minnetree Folkes in his annual report that the Grand Council hereafter hold biennial instead of annual meetings. Mr. Folkes bases his recommendation on the ground of economy. He argues that the money used to pay the mileage and per diem of representatives from local lodges could be used to better advantage in increasing the scope of the order's work, advertising it and adding to its membership. He does not think that the work would suffer at all if the meetings were held every two years, instead of annually, as at present.

A number of the representatives do not agree with Mr. Folkes on this point, and there is every prospect of a live debate when the question is placed before the council. The annual reports of officers have been placed in the hands of committees and will be presented formally at this session. Without exception they are favorable and will show great progress for the year past.

SECOND AUDIENCE CHEERS KIRMESS

Before an audience happier, warmer, and much larger even than that which greeted the initial performance of the Kirmess, that brilliant festival of singing and dancing was presented for the second time last night, so that there now remain but two more opportunities for the wit and the gliding spectacle offered by half the beauty and talent of Richmond.

To-night's performance will offer the same attractions as those which have combined to make the Kirmess memorable already, with the constantly growing smoothness and certainty which mark actors and singers who have grown "easy" in their parts, but this afternoon, for one appearance only in this country by express permission of their fathers and mothers—who themselves were but yesterday making life a burden to Mrs. McGuire, Miss Ellett, and other instructors of the young—will be seen that amazing act, "The Teddy Bears and French Dolls," in which the eminent young actor, John B. Swartwout, Jr. (aged four), has made the most spectacular hit of his stage career. Those who have seen the reproofful, assured, unselfish deliberative methods of this remarkable young animal impersonator predict a triumphant career for him in his chosen profession.

In writing of the first performance of the Kirmess, the fingers of the dazed reviewer, in endeavoring to praise William Miller for his admirable work in "The Riding Lesson" with Miss Ella Blinford, stumbled upon the keys which had grown accustomed to spelling D-I-C-K-S-O-N when a man was to be particularly commended. In this Kirmess of ours "there's glory enough for us all," and it was Mr. Miller who forsook his stinging wheel for an imaginary saddle and rode with so much fire and determination that he is said to have been a bit stiff and sore the next morning.

However, he mounted again last night and rode to a finish in a manner that would have made George Dumeril or any other Prince Dantio, humbly offer to pump tires for him, and, as everybody knows, humility can go no further.

Another noisy should go to Mills Neal, who, owing to the sudden illness of one of the Irish dancers, went on last night, without rehearsal, and participated in the dance without fault.

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(By request.)
Before retiring at night wash the hands well and after drying with soft towel, apply Mentolated Suet liberally. If the treatment is kept up, the hands can be kept smooth and soft and entirely free from chapping. Mentolated Suet is also a valuable remedy for cracked or chapped lips and rough skins. Apply at night before retiring.

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SPECIAL EXTRA

TITANIC FOUNDERED AT SEA

1,500 LOST

JOHN JACOB ASTOR AMONG THE DEAD

The great White Star liner Titanic, the largest steamship in the world, was lost at sea at 2:20 A. M. Monday.

It was believed to-day that fully 1,500 persons were lost in this, the greatest sea disaster of modern times. Of the total of 1,470 passengers who sailed on the maiden voyage of the giant liner from Southampton on Wednesday, April 10, and a crew of more than 680, only 675 were saved.

Even these figures may be wrong and the loss of life prove even more appalling. A wireless report says that among the dead is John Jacob Astor, the multi-millionaire. His bride, Madeline Force, was saved. They were returning from their honeymoon.

The first news of the great disaster came last night in a wireless message from Capt. Haddock of the Olympic, a sister ship of the Titanic, and herself a giant of the sea.

This message said that the Titanic had foundered at 2:20 A. M. on Monday. Many believed that this should have read P. M., but subsequent facts seemed to show that the time was correct.

The first vessel to reach the scene of the disaster was the Virginian, of the Allen line, bound east from Halifax. She had heard the wireless S. O. S. for help sent up by the doomed Titanic and had rushed at top speed to the rescue.

When the Virginian reached the scene the Titanic and sunk beneath the waves carrying down with her more than \$18,000,000 in value, including her cargo, she was worth \$7,500,000.

The Virginian found the sea in the neighborhood of the disaster swarming with lifeboats filled with the passengers, mostly women and children. These boats were picked up, one by one, until 675 survivors were gathered on the deck of the Virginian. Apparently, was the sum total of the more than 2,200 who had sailed on the giant vessel.

It is believed all of the others were lost, though the White Star officials were hopeful to-day that others had been picked up and would be heard from during the day. Later the Virginian was joined by the Carpathia, of the Cunard Line, also bound east.

All the passengers were later transferred to the Carpathia, which is now bound to New York with the survivors. The Carpathia is due at New York probably to-morrow.

The Titanic went down in latitude 41.16 north and longitude 50.14 west. Vice-President P. A. S. Franklin, of the White Star Line, is expected to arrive to-day.

"We have heard the rumor from Halifax that three steamers, the Virginian, Parisian and Carpathia, stood by the Titanic. We have received a wireless from Captain Haddock of the Olympic that the Titanic went down at 2:20 A. M. We have also heard indirectly that the Carpathia has 675 survivors aboard. The total passengers and crew on the Titanic numbered 2,000. It is difficult to say whether the Virginian and the Parisian have any survivors aboard until we get a direct report. We have asked for that report from our Halifax agent and from others.

"The Carpathia is proceeding to New York. We very much fear there has been a serious loss of life. But it is impossible at this time to assure ourselves that the other steamers have or have not survivors aboard.

"The Titanic carried a sufficient number of lifeboats to get all her passengers off within four hours, and we are very hopeful that both the Virginian and the Parisian have passengers on board.

"The situation, however, is very serious. It looks like a horrible loss of life."

The Titanic was supposed by experts to be unsinkable. She was insured, but not fully. Her value was between \$7,500,000 and \$8,000,000. Mr. Franklin said that Captain Haddock of the Olympic in his wireless despatch had not made a report concerning the loss of life on board the Titanic.

and with a grace so Tipperarian that it had a brogue.

After insistent calls had compelled Miss Stewart to come out on the stage and receive a big bunch of roses, the voting began. Spirited opposition to the spoiled "Londoner" developed, and, after a flower-decked debate, marked by shameless lobbying on the part of everybody kin to anybody in any dance—I saw one swelling father blow in fifty votes on a dance just because his son was in it—the "Polos" and their stately "show girls" won by a vote of 655 to 683 of the "Chappies" and their charmers.

The house was sold out last night, except for the top gallery, in which many seats were vacant, which is surprising, because the very nature of the "show" we had supposed would pack that fine point of view.

SUMMER NORMALS ARE ANNOUNCED

Announcement was made yesterday by the State Department of Public Instruction of the places and dates for summer normal schools to be held this year. Much of the work of the department is now being concentrated on these normals, and it is expected the work done will be more successful than heretofore.

In each case the instructors in these schools are appointed by the conductors, the department having nothing to do with this feature.

The places where normals will be held are:

held, the names and addresses of conductors, the time of beginning the term, and the duration are as follows:

For White Teachers.
University of Virginia—Charles G. Maphis, Charlottesville. Opens June 19 for six weeks.
Martinsville—N. P. Painter, Roanoke. Opens July 3 for four weeks.
Covington—Joseph N. Saunders.

For Colored Teachers.
Hampton—Dr. George P. Phenix, Hampton. Opens June 16 for six weeks.
Richmond—Dr. George R. Hovey, Richmond. Opens June 19 for six weeks.
Petersburg—J. H. Johnston, Petersburg. Opens July 3 for six weeks.
Manassas—L. P. Hill, Manassas. Opens July 3 for four weeks.
Cambridge—E. A. Long, Cambridge. Opens July 3 for four weeks.

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Harrisonburg—J. A. Burruss, Harrisonburg. Opens June 19 for six weeks.
Galax—F. B. Fitzpatrick, Roanoke. Opens July 3 for four weeks.
Chase City—S. P. Duke, Richmond. Opens July 3 for four weeks.
Luray—J. D. Harris, Amelia. Opens July 3 for four weeks.

Nonfolk—Ernest Shawan, Richmond. Opens July 3 for four weeks.

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Lawrenceville—James S. Russell, Lawrenceville. Opens July 3 for four weeks.

Chase City—F. C. Bedinger, Chase City. Opens July 3 for four weeks.

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